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INVITATION ISSUED HERE FOR NATIONAL DAY. THOUGH NO REFERENCE MADE TO RECEPTION, RADIO DAHOMEY CARRIED SPECIAL PROGRAM NIGHT OF OCT 7 ON EGYPT'S CELEBRATION OF THE FIRST ANNIVERARY OF THE "WAR FOR ARAB LIBERATION". PROGRAM LEAD-IN MERELY NOTED THAT THE WAR DESTROYED THE MYTH THAT ARABS WERE UNABLE TO FIGHT AND "UNITED ALL PEACE-LOVING NATIONS IN CONDEMNING ISRAEL." REMAINDER WAS INTERVIEW WITH EGYPTIAN CHARGE MOHAMMED TEOFIK. CONSISTENT WITH HIS MILD MANNER AND QUIET TEMPERAMENT, HE MERELY DESCRIBED THE JOY FELT IN CAIRO AT THE NEWS THAT EGYPTIAN TROOPS CROSSED INTO SINAI AND RECOUNTED SOME INNOCUOUS WAR STORIES ABOUT SUCCESSES OF THE EGYPTIAN ARMY. PRESS COVERAGE NOTED THE EGYPTIAN EMBASSY HELD RECEPTION ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE "RAMADAN WAR."
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